

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 93-504-C - ORDER NO. 94-355 ✓
APRIL 20, 1994

IN RE: Investigation of Level of Earnings)	ORDER
of GTE South, Inc.)	GRANTING
)	CONTINUANCE
)	AND ALLOWING
)	SUPPLEMENTAL
)	TESTIMONY

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Motion of the South Carolina Public Communications Association (SCPCA) for a Continuance and for Commission permission to file Supplemental Testimony. SCPCA alleges that on or about February 11, 1994, the SCPCA served upon GTE South, Inc. (GTE) its Third Set of Interrogatories, which were due to be answered on or before February 24, 1994. On that date, GTE requested an extension until March 2, 1994, a date which was consented to by SCPCA. SCPCA alleges that although GTE filed its response to the interrogatories on March 2, 1994, the interrogatories were not answered in full. On March 7, 1994, SCPCA filed a Motion to Compel GTE to answer the interrogatories in full. The Commission ultimately granted the Motion to Compel, requiring GTE to provide the requested information as expeditiously as possible. The hearing originally scheduled for March 28, 1994 was subsequently

continued. On April 13, 1994, GTE provided the remainder of its responses to SCPCA's Interrogatory. SCPCA submits that GTE's response was based upon six months of actual data between the period of October 1, 1993 through March 31, 1994. SCPCA further alleges that most of GTE private payphone lines are located along the Grand Strand. The time frame sampled by GTE, according to SCPCA, would be the months during which GTE's customers generate the least calling volume. SCPCA states that it has data which would demonstrate different values of usage-sensitive revenue than that shown by GTE. SCPCA states that in order to provide the Commission with information that is more accurate and useful, SCPCA requests an extension of time, so that it can perform its own study among its member companies operating in the GTE calling area. SCPCA therefore asks for a continuance of the April 20, 1994 hearing, and for permission to file Supplemental Testimony with the Commission disclosing the average monthly usage-sensitive local revenues produced by independent payphone providers operating in GTE's South Carolina calling areas.

The Commission has examined this matter and believes that SCPCA's Motion is meritorious, and that SCPCA should be allowed to demonstrate what it alleges through Supplemental Testimony.

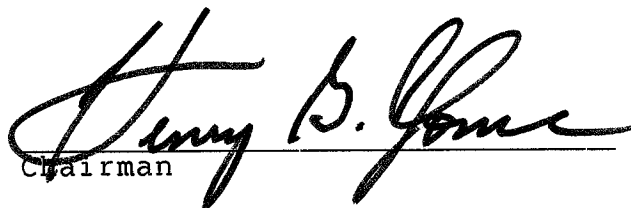
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The April 20, 1994 hearing date is continued.
2. SCPCA may file Supplemental Testimony with the Commission, disclosing the average monthly usage-sensitive local revenues produced by independent payphone providers operating in

GTE's South Carolina calling areas to be filed at such date as the Staff may designate.

3. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

(SEAL)